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In re Patent Application of

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Application No.: 09/497,422

Filed: February 3, 2000

For: STABLE NON-AQUEOUS  
SINGLE PHASE VISCOUS  
VEHICLES AND FORMULATIONS  
UTILIZING SUCH VEHICLES

Group Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: B. Fubara

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

To: Director of the USPTO  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Official Action (paper number 4) mailed July 5, 2000, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response thereto. A Petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), are filed concurrently herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1-38 are currently pending in the application.

*Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a)*

Claims 1-33 and 35-38 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over *Knepp et. al.*, and *Roorda, et.al.*, in view of *Nuwayser*. Claim 34 has been rejected because it depends from a rejected claim. This rejection is traversed for the following reasons.